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Tutunjian Excited Over Division III Vote

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(TROY- January 12, 2004)- Troy Mayor Harry Tutunjian expressed thanks and relief Monday afternoon upon hearing that the Division III member schools had approved resolution 65-I in Nashville, Tennessee.

The approval of 65-I, and not the original resolution, means that Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute will be allowed to keep its Division I hockey status and continue to give out athletic scholarships for the program.

If the original resolution had passed, RPI would have had to give up its ability to distribute scholarships to hockey players.

“The news from Nashville today is very exciting,” Tutunjian said. “As I have said numerous times in the past week, the tradition of hockey at RPI is tremendous, and for the school, and the City of Troy, to lose that, would have been unfortunate. I am pleased that the Division III member schools have approved the amended resolution that will allow RPI to keep its Division I tradition alive and well.”

Last week Tutunjian and US Senator Charles Schumer gathered at the RPI Field House to protest the vote.